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FOLLOWING TEL SENT BELGRADE BERN BONN BRUSSELS EC BRUSSELS  
BUDAPEST COPENHAGEN DUBLIN GENEVA HELSINKI LISBON LONDON  
LUXEMBOURG MADRID MOSCOW OSLO OTTAWA PARIS OECD PARIS  
REYKJAVIK ROME STOCKHOLM THE HAGUE VALLETTA VIENNA WARSAW  
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SUBJECT: LABOR ATTACHE CONFERENCE

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1. LABOR ATTACHE CONFERENCE SCHEDULED FOR TUNIS HAS BEEN  
CANCELLED. INSTEAD DEPARTMENTS STATE AND LABOR ARE PRO-  
CEEDING WITH PLANS TO HOLD A CONFERENCE IN BERLIN MAY 28-31  
INCLUSIVE. SCHEDULED CONGRESSIONAL HEARINGS ON NEW TRADE  
BILL INVOLVING LABOR DEPARTMENT TESTIMONY DURING WEEK OF  
MAY 7 NECESSITATES CHANGE OF DATES. CONFERENCE NOW LIMITED  
TO EUROPEAN POSTS AND FUNDED FOR MOST PART BY DEPARTMENT OF  
LABOR DOLLAR APPROPRIATIONS.

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2. BECAUSE OF LIMITED DOLLAR APPROPRIATIONS AVAILABLE FOR THIS PURPOSE, LABOR DEPARTMENT FUNDING TRANSPORTATION AND PER DIEM ONLY FOR LABOR ATTACHES, ASSISTANT LABOR ATTACHES AND ECONOMIC OFFICERS MYERSON ( USEC), OLIVER ( MADRID), BLAKE ( BERN), AND WHITE ( LISBON) INVITED REFTEL. UNDER LABOR DEPARTMENT DELEGATION OF AUTHORITY JUNE 19, 1951, 4 FAM 036.32, POSTS OF ALL THESE INVITEES ARE AUTHORIZED TO OBLIGATE AND CERTIFY AGAINST LABOR DEPARTMENT APPROPRIATION 1630165, ACCOUNTING CODE 3165-3-3- K-100-73511-2121-1 CA-00007365 FOR EN, AND WE SPOTTED ON SMALL SIGN CONDEMNING ISRAEL, THE MAIN FOCUS WAS DOMESTIC. THE CITY WAS FESTOONED WITH FLAGS AND BANNERS SOMEWHAT MORE THIS YEAR THAN LAST, BUT THE OVER- ALL IMPRESSION OF THE DAY WAS MUCH MORE ONE OF COLOR THAN OF MILITANCY. PARKS WERE FILLED, AND THE FIRST OF THE SEASON' S OUTDOOR CHOPIN CONCERTS IN LAZIENKI PARK SAW AN EVEN GREATER TURNOUT OF MUSIC LOVERS THAN NORMAL.

3. FIRST SECRETARY GIEREK, SPEAKING FROM THE REVIEWING STAND, AGAIN THIS YEAR MADE A RELATIVELY SHORT SPEECH WHICH WAS ESSENTIALLY DEVOID OF SUBSTANCE, EXPRESSING THE CUSTOMARY SATISFACTION IN THE ACHIEVEMENTS OF SOCIALISM AT HOME AND ABROAD. WHILE HE TOOK NOTE OF DIFFICULTIES AND WEAKNESSES YET TO BE OVERCOME, PRIDE WAS CLEARLY THE DOMINANT TONE IN HIS REMARKS ABOUT POLAND, WHO, HE ASSURED HIS LISTENERS, WOULD TAKE HER " JUSTIFIED PLACE AMONG THE PEOPLES OF THE WORLD." IN HIS SPEECH GIEREK CONGRATULATED VIRTUALLY ALL SEGMENTS OF THE POPULATION, IN CAREFULLY ENUMERATED FASHION, HAVING ON THE PRECEDING DAY HANDED OUT AWARDS TO 130 " WORTHY ACTIVISTS OF THE LABOR MOVEMENT" AND " HEROES OF SOCIALIST LABOR." FOLLOWING THE PARADE HE AND OTHER POLITBURO MEMBERS PAID A VISIT, NOW DESCRIBED AS " TRADITIONAL", TO THE WORKERS ON THE JOB AT THE WARSAW STEEL WORKS.

4. GREETINGS AND FRATERNAL FEELINGS FOR THE SOVIET UNION IN GIEREK' S SPEECH AND IN BANNERS ABOUT TOWN, SEEMED TO BE AT ABOUT A NORMAL LEVEL THIS YEAR, THE ONLY DISTINCTLY NEW NOTE BEING GIEREK' S TELEGRAM TO BREZHNEV, FRONT-PAGED IN TRYBUNA LUDU, EXPRESSING JOY AND DEEP SATISFACTION AT BREZHNEV' S RECEIVING THE LENIN PEACE PRIZE.

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